

The Deputy Director of Central Intelligence



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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director, Bureau of Intelligence and Research

SUBJECT : Dissemination of Warning Intelligence

- 1. Thank you for your suggestion to distribute the results of the monthly NIO warning meeting to overseas recipients. We think it is a good idea and have made a preliminary examination of its feasibility.
- 2. Some overseas distribution is already accomplished by both the DDO and DDI staffs for use by our stations and for sharing with other US personnel. This distribution includes our liaison officers with some military commands such as EUCOM and SAC. We agree that this dissemination should be systematically extended to more recipients, but such distribution must be done judiciously in view of the imperative need to keep the paper flow to field locations to a minimum.
- 3. We think that such a channel could also be expanded to include other warning intelligence such as topics from the weekly Watch Committee reports and topics suggested by the NIO for Warning. These latter in particular would address alternative views.
- 4. Because of the concern expressed above, we believe it best to build on the existing program. This still leaves numerous administrative details and protocols to develop. I have therefore, assigned those tasks to the NIO/W, who can pursue the effort with the assistance of the Warning Working Group.

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B. R. INMAN Admiral, U.S. Navy

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